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PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR EXAMINERS COMMITTEE **PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES** **OCTOBER 2, 2014**

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I. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair, William Green called the meeting to Order at 9:50 a.m. in the Sussex Conference Room, 124 Halsey Street, 6th floor, Newark, New Jersey.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:

William Green, Committee Chair
Ketrin Saud Maxwell, Committee Vice-Chair
Peter Economou, Committee Member
Dana Kaspereen, Committee Member

Excused:

Diane Licht, Committee Member
W. Michael Shea, Committee Member

Also Present:

Shirley Dickstein, Deputy Attorney General
Milagros Collazo, Executive Director
Michela Ross, Government Rep
Celeste Paige, Administrative Staff

Committee Chair, William Green announced the presence of a quorum at 9:51 a.m.

In accordance with Chapter 231 of P.L. 1975, more commonly referred to as the Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by mailing to the Office of the Secretary of State, The Star Ledger, The Trenton Times, The Record and The Courier Post. Adequate notice of this meeting was also posted on the Committee's web page.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. September 4, 2014 Public Minutes

Upon motion by Committee member, Ketrin Saud-Maxwell, seconded by Committee member Dana Kaspereen, the Committee members present voted to approve the September 4, 2014 minutes as corrected. Voting in favor: all members present. The motion passed.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following members of the public were present and did not comment:

A. **Linda Katsnetz, Caldwell College**

B. **Kelly Smock, Caldwell College**

VII. LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY

A. **Implementation of P.L. 2013, c. 49**

The Committee members present reviewed the proposed language to P.L. 2013, c.49.

This rule will grant credit toward licensure for education, training, and experience received while serving as a member of the Armed Forces. *Upon motion by Peter Economou, seconded by Dana Kaspereen, the Committee members present voted to accept this as informational. Voting in favor: all members present. The motion passed.*

B. Assembly Bill 3700 ~ This Bill seeks to provide integrated primary care service licensure of ambulatory care facilities including behavioral health care. *Upon motion by Ketrin Saud-Maxwell, seconded by Dana Kaspereen, the Committee members present voted to conditionally support this bill if Professional Counselors are included. The Committee members present noted that the covered services provided for in the bill are within the Professional Counselor scope of practice with the exception of medication administration and monitoring. Voting in favor: all members present. The motion passed.*

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Executive Director Collazo reported that the Committee is officially in renewal season and that from July 2014 thru the present, the Committee has 127 new licensees.

Licensing Activity Report - Professional Counselors

	LAC	LPC	LRC
Active	1,318	3,391	125
*Pending	813	617	10

* In addition to applications pending final Committee review/approval, this category includes applications that are missing documentation, applications waiting on exam results, and applications that have been abandoned.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

Nothing to report.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

Nothing to report.

IX. CORRESPONDENCE

Nothing to report.

X. **COUNSELOR EDUCATION PROGRAMS**

Nothing to report.

XI. NEW JERSEY COUNSELING ASSOCIATION (NJCA)

Nothing to report.

XII. NATIONAL BOARD OF CERTIFIED COUNSELORS (NBCC)

Nothing to report.

XIII. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Regulations Committee

Regulatory Analyst, Rachel Glasgow reported that she is currently working on a draft of language of proposed regulations for sunset to be presented to the Committee at a later date.

B. FAQs Committee

Upon motion by Peter Economou, seconded by Dana Kaspereen, the Committee voted to approve the FAQs as presented for posting on Committee webpage. Voting in favor: all members present. The motion passed.

C. Internet Counseling

Peter Economou reported that the Internet Counseling sub-committee is currently tabled.

XV. FILED ORDERS

Nothing to report.

XV. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for November 6, 2014.

Proposed Meeting Dates for 2014

November 6, 2014

December 4, 2014

XVI. APPLICATIONS REVIEWED

Applicants approved to take NCE Exam

Jennifer Acevedo

Alex Alvarez

David Burnham

Patricia Francisco

Cecelia Gaines

Latoya King-Robinson

Kahtleen Kozlowski

Christopher Liano

Aviva Mann

Latoya Mauldin

Kaitlyn MCCallum

Katie Mens

Nicole Monroe

Mary C. Morda

Dana Ryan

Hana Solanki

Tara Suffy

Peter Ugoagwu

Stacey Uhland

Malaika Walker

Laura Wrublevski

Lucille Yanok

LAC approved

Louis Amendola
Ellen Brophy
Jessica Bruzzi
Shelli Carter
Kelly Ciarletta
Stephanie DeTrempe
Andrew Gardner
Jessica Glasten
Elizabeth Guide
Csilla M. Hajnal
Ashley Harnish
Ritajeanne Jacobs-Culp
Valerie Joan
Alysse Kavanagh
JiYoung Lim
Elizabeth Mans Howard
Theresa Marinello
Jonathan Mazza
Jessica Melillo
Sarah Mello
Diandra Meloni
Gregory Miller
Dawn Murphy
Amanda Pitchko
Lucia Quiles
Mary Reimer
Nicole Rubio
Aileen Torres
Samantha Torres
Lizbeth Veliz
James Williams

LPC approved

Carla Benson
Lisa Cardinal
Erminia Donatiello
Stephanie Fleming
Kelly Grefe
Laine Happel
William Horn
Zenobia Lee-Briggs
Meghan Lynch
Triana Martinez
Dina Matarazzo
Karuri Munene

Melissa Murphy
Frances Noronha
Raushanah Reid
Raquel Rivero
Joseph Titone
Michael Walty

XVII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion by Dana Kaspereen, seconded by Peter Economou, the Committee members present voted to move to Executive session at 10:38 a.m to review applications, plans of supervision, consumer complaints, and other pending disciplinary and confidential matters.

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Dana Kaspereen, seconded by Ketrin Saud-Maxwell, the Committee members present voted to return to Public session at 1:15 p.m. to adjourn the October 2, 2014 meeting. Voting in favor: all members present. The motion passed.